



## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB2657

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 740/2-15.2  
70 ILCS 3605/51  
70 ILCS 3610/8.6  
70 ILCS 3615/3A.15  
70 ILCS 3615/3B.14

Amends the Downstate Public Transportation Act, Metropolitan Transit Authority Act, Local Mass Transit District Act, and Regional Transportation Authority Act. Provides that senior citizens that are eligible for benefits under the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act may receive services without charge (now, all senior citizens aged 65 or older).

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Downstate Public Transportation Act is  
5 amended by changing Section 2-15.2 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 740/2-15.2)

7 Sec. 2-15.2. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no  
8 later than 60 days following the effective date of this  
9 amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route  
10 public transportation services provided by, or under grant or  
11 purchase of service contracts of, every participant, as defined  
12 in Section 2-2.02 (1) (a), shall be provided without charge to  
13 ~~all~~ senior citizen residents of the participant that are  
14 eligible for benefits under the Senior Citizens and Disabled  
15 Persons Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act  
16 ~~aged 65 and older~~, under such conditions as shall be prescribed  
17 by the participant.

18 (Source: P.A. 95-708, eff. 1-18-08.)

19 Section 10. The Metropolitan Transit Authority Act is  
20 amended by changing Section 51 as follows:

21 (70 ILCS 3605/51)

1           Sec. 51. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later  
2 than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory  
3 Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public  
4 transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase  
5 of service contracts of, the Board shall be provided without  
6 charge to ~~all~~ senior citizens of the Metropolitan Region (as  
7 such term is defined in 70 ILCS 3615/1.03) that are eligible  
8 for benefits under the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons  
9 Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act ~~aged 65~~  
10 ~~and older~~, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by the  
11 Board.

12           (Source: P.A. 95-708, eff. 1-18-08.)

13           Section 15. The Local Mass Transit District Act is amended  
14 by changing Section 8.6 as follows:

15           (70 ILCS 3610/8.6)

16           Sec. 8.6. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later  
17 than 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory  
18 Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route public  
19 transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase  
20 of service contracts of, every District shall be provided  
21 without charge to ~~all~~ senior citizens of the District that are  
22 eligible for benefits under the Senior Citizens and Disabled  
23 Persons Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act  
24 ~~aged 65 and older~~, under such conditions as shall be prescribed

1 by the District.

2 (Source: P.A. 95-708, eff. 1-18-08.)

3 Section 20. The Regional Transportation Authority Act is  
4 amended by changing Sections 3A.15 and 3B.14 as follows:

5 (70 ILCS 3615/3A.15)

6 Sec. 3A.15. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no  
7 later than 60 days following the effective date of this  
8 amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route  
9 public transportation services provided by, or under grant or  
10 purchase of service contracts of, the Suburban Bus Board shall  
11 be provided without charge to ~~all~~ senior citizens of the  
12 Metropolitan Region that are eligible for benefits under the  
13 Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief and  
14 Pharmaceutical Assistance Act ~~aged 65 and older~~, under such  
15 conditions as shall be prescribed by the Suburban Bus Board.

16 (Source: P.A. 95-708, eff. 1-18-08.)

17 (70 ILCS 3615/3B.14)

18 Sec. 3B.14. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no  
19 later than 60 days following the effective date of this  
20 amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly, any fixed route  
21 public transportation services provided by, or under grant or  
22 purchase of service contracts of, the Commuter Rail Board shall  
23 be provided without charge to ~~all~~ senior citizens of the

1 Metropolitan Region that are eligible for benefits under the  
2 Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief and  
3 Pharmaceutical Assistance Act ~~aged 65 and older~~, under such  
4 conditions as shall be prescribed by the Commuter Rail Board.  
5 (Source: P.A. 95-708, eff. 1-18-08.)